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February 11, 2004

Marie Brown
Miamiville Civic Association
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Dear Ms. Brown:

Thank you for your letter of January 27, 2004 and the associated documents which were submitted to Ohio EPA. We appreciate the continued interest and participation by the Miamiville Civic Association in the permitting process for the proposed Miamiville area wastewater treatment facility. Your input and feedback are encouraged as we remain engaged in the progression of this important project. It is important that the information which we share is both complete and accurate.

Your letter to Ron Ware and the enclosed report of Herbert Preul contain significant inaccuracies that create a misleading perspective. The two primary issues deal with protection of our drinking water aquifer and the proximity to residential properties.

Your letter indicates that the "effluent will flow directly over the MGS well field." The proposed discharge location and receiving tributary are *outside* of the wellfield and the one year travel time radius established in our wellhead protection plan. *"Currently, the greatest potential contaminant threat to the aquifer supplying the MGS wellfield is individual onsite sewage disposal systems."*¹ One of the primary reasons for the proposed treatment facility is to protect this critical drinking water source. Your letter inaccurately contradicts this critical issue.

A key component of your opposition is the proximity to residential areas. We agree and have always considered this an important issue. In fact we have also generated data regarding residences within one

¹ Preliminary Review and Evaluation of the Miami-Goshen-Stonelick Wellfield Clermont County, Ohio, Presented to: Clermont County Water District and Clermont County Commissioners By: Bennett & Williams, Inc. Columbus, Ohio March, 1991

half mile of Clermont County wastewater facilities. We currently operate three wastewater treatment plants in the Miami area, Bramblewood, Indian Lookout and Wards Corner. There are currently 630 developed parcels in Clermont County within one half mile of these facilities. The most populace of the proposed sites would add 44 developed parcels while eliminating 565 developed parcels through elimination of Bramblewood and Indian Lookout wastewater treatment plants. The net result of our plan would be 511 fewer developed parcels within one half mile of a wastewater treatment facility! We believe this would be a significant change that supports your position.

We fully understand your interest in preserving the long term viability of your community. We believe that protecting the drinking water and providing sanitary sewer service are critical public services toward that goal. We are committed to continuing efforts to be wise custodians of our natural resources and decisions made in the best interest of all the residents of Clermont County.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'TCY', is written over the printed name.

THOMAS C. YEAGER
Director of Utilities

TCY/dc

cc: Ron Ware, OEPA
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